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EMPLOYMENT GROWTH RATE
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Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether according to the agenda papers of the 37th Indian Labour Conference heldon May 19, 2001 the annual employment growth rate has fallen to one percent;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(c) the details of steps taken by the Government to arrest the decline in employment in PSUs?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR & EMPLOYMENT (SHRI MUNI LALL)

a) & b) As per the survey carried out by National Sample Survey Organisation(NSSO)during 1993-94 and 1999-2000 the annual average growth rate of employment during the period 1994-2000 was of the order of 1% and this was indicated in the agenda papers of 37th Indian Labour Conference.

c) Lack of upgradation of technologies due to financial constraints, production being non-competitive price-wise and quality-wise, compulsion to run non-profitable industries in the private sector influenced maintenance of employment level and creation of new jobs in the public sector. Due to increased competition and the need to right size, there is a limited scope for employment creation in the public sector.